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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Ballistic Missiles and Space Division, OSI

ATTENTION: []

THROUGH: Chief, Requirements Branch, Reconnaissance Group, CGS

FROM: Chief, CIA/PID (NPIC)

SUBJECT: Search for Missile/Space Activity in the Orenburg-Donguz-Aktyubinsk Area, USSR

REFERENCE: (a) Requirement C-SI-3-80,653
(b) CIA/PID Project C 1395-63

1. This memorandum is in response to your requirement dated 3 October 1963 which requests a search of the area within 50 nm radius of Orenburg (51-45N 55-05E), Donguz (51-30N 55-05E), and Aktyubinsk (50-17N 57-10E) to attempt to locate any missile/space related facilities that may possibly be related to the facilities at Emba and Isfara.

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provided fair to good photo coverage of the areas of interest but no installations were observed that appeared similar or could be related to any of the facilities at Emba or Isfara.

Observed missile activity in the vicinity of Aktyubinsk consists of two IIRB launch areas, three SA-2 sites, and a SAM support facility. This activity had been previously reported, except for one of the SA-2 sites. An SA-2 site at 49-49N 56-27E, 40 nm southwest of Aktyubinsk, was discovered and reported for the first time as a result of this study.

The only observed missile activity in the immediate vicinity of Orenburg is the SA-2 site located five miles west-southwest of Orenburg. This site does not appear active and is probably used only for training purposes. Considerable building construction and expansion of the Orenburg Airframe Plant has taken place during the last few years which may possibly be related to some type of missile or missile component production.

The Donguz area, located 15 nm south of Orenburg along the railroad leading to Emba, has been unidentified since it was first covered by [] photography [] In the vicinity of Donguz Airfield are four large unidentified secure areas connected by rail and/or road to the administrative area of the airfield. The main function of the airfield appears to be support for these

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secure areas which have changed very little since 1960. Although the photo scale and quality precludes a positive identification of these secure areas, they do appear to be associated with electronics and possibly with missile guidance. Possibly the Donguz area is concerned with electronic training and/or research and development, which might account for the Emba-Donguz association. Descriptions and photographs of these Donguz secure areas are available in the

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3. The photo analyst on this project is [] who may be contacted on extension [] should you have any further questions concerning this project.

4. This project is considered to be complete.

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